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SUBJECT: GATT AND ROMANIAN TARIFF

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1. ON AUG. 11 WE SHOWED THE AMENDED FORMULATION REGARDING THE ROMANIAN TARIFF TO KLEIN AND KAWAN, THE TWO SENIOR EC COMMISSION OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR RELATIONS WITH EASTERN EUROPE. THEY WERE, OF COURSE, AGREEABLE TO THE NEW FORMULATION. THE COMMISSION MAY APPROACH THE ROMANIANS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, OR MAY WAIT UNTIL OCTOBER, WHEN INFORMAL TEXTILE TALKS ARE TO BE HELD, TO INFORM THE ROMANIANS.

2. THE COMMISSION WOULD PREFER THAT THE WP ON THE ROMANIAN TARIFF NOT BE SCHEDULED UNTIL NOVEMBER. THIS PREFERENCE STEMS MAINLY FROM A DESIRE TO HAVE THEIR BILATERAL

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TEXTILE TALKS PRECEDE THE WP MEETING. HOWEVER, THEY

FEEL THE DELAY CAN BE JUSTIFIED ON THE BASIS OF THE
HEAVY LOAD OF GATT WORK ON EASTERN EUROPEAN QUESTIONS
ALREADY SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER.

3. IN THE LIGHT OF THE STATEMENT IN PARA 4B OF REF B--
"WE WOULD ASSOCIATE OURSELVES WITH OTHER PARTIES ON
THIS ISSUE"--KLEIN AND KAWAN WONDER WHETHER THE US HAS
SOUNDED OUT THE ATTITUDE OF JAPAN, WHICH THEY REGARD AS
THE KEY "SWING VOTE" ON THIS ISSUE. MORRIS

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